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CHAPTER	14	SECTION	“Western Farmers” <i>American Cultures 2</i>	TOTAL POINTS
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I. Define the following terms (2 pts.):

1. *Homestead Act* _____

2. *Pacific Railway Act* _____

3. *Morrill Act* _____

4. *Exodusters* _____

5. *U.S. Department of Agriculture* _____

6. *dry farming* _____

7. *bonanza farm* _____

II. Complete the following sentences (1 pt. each):

1. The _____ wanted the new western states and territories to be free of slavery and populated by independent _____ who would develop the land.
2. In Oklahoma in 1889, a flood of prospective settlers responded to a government offer of free _____.
3. The federal government gave the railroad companies more than _____ million acres of public land, which they could sell to settlers to pay for the huge cost of laying the _____.
4. Uncontrolled _____ destroyed wildlife habitats, caused erosion, and had other important _____ consequences little recognized at the time.
5. Because of the high cost of transporting supplies, it was mainly _____ - _____ farmers who could afford to move to the West.
6. The biggest rush of _____ settlers occurred during the Kansas Fever Exodus of 1879.
7. The _____ were Protestant pacifists who fled persecution in Russia.
8. To cope with the lack of wood, they built houses and barns of _____ chunks cut from the heavy topsoil and stacked like bricks.
9. In times of severe _____ or low wheat prices, bonanza-farm profits _____.
10. Sod houses, though well insulated, windproof, and _____, were also dank, dirty, and far from _____.

III. Answer questions 1, 2, 3, 5 on page 443 of your textbook, using complete sentences. If necessary, use a separate sheet of paper. (2 pts. each)

